

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: E23D97487A949F952528705C973D3322

Other known title(s): Not stated

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Publisher: Not stated

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Language: Not applicable

Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 16 June 2017

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 16 June 2017

Summary of reasons for decision:

The publication promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes and is deemed to be objectionable under s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993. The image depicts a naked child in a sexual manner. The sole purpose of the image is sexual arousal. The availability of such material encourages and reinforces a sexual interest in children. The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression. The classification reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.